



What Does OSU Extension Do For Clermont County

Board of County Commissioners Session
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Empowerment Through Education



Mission

Engaging people to strengthen their lives and communities through research-based educational programming.





County Office Opened 1914

- In 1914, Smith Lever Act
- Purpose of Extension

“to aid in diffusing among the people of the United States, useful and practical information in subjects relating to Agriculture and Home Economics and to encourage the application of the same.”

Extension Education and Research Areas (EERA)

Miami Valley:
Clermont County



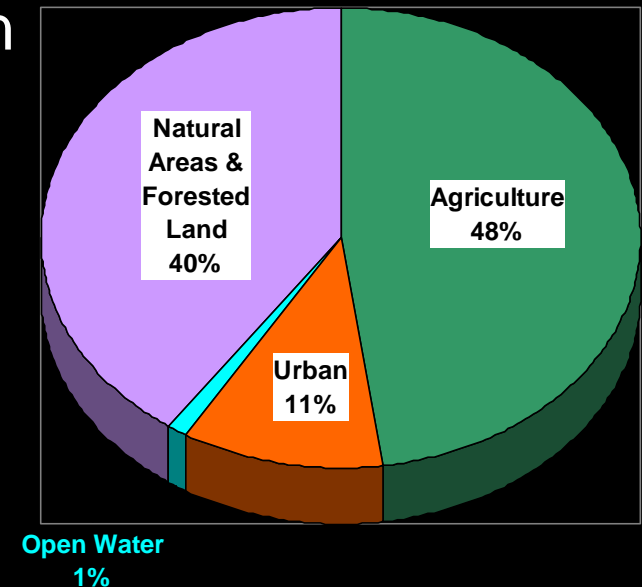
OSUE Impact Areas

- Advancing Employment and Income Opportunities
- Enhancing Agriculture and the Environment
- Preparing Youth for Success
- Strengthening Families and Communities



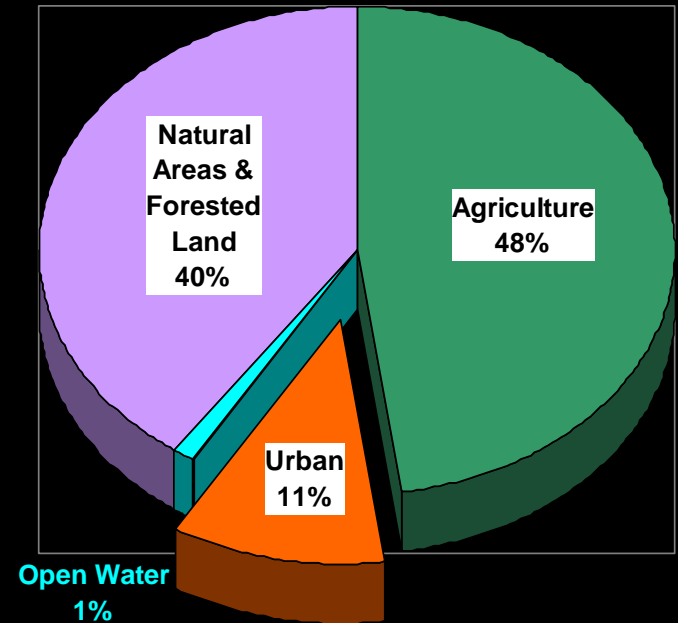
Enhances Agriculture & Natural Resources

- We provide research-based education to people living/working in all of Clermont County.
- Total in Agricultural Sales for Clermont County = \$51 million (NASS 2008)
- Economic Impact = \$165,340,576
- Total Farms = 808
- Total Green Industry Businesses = 148



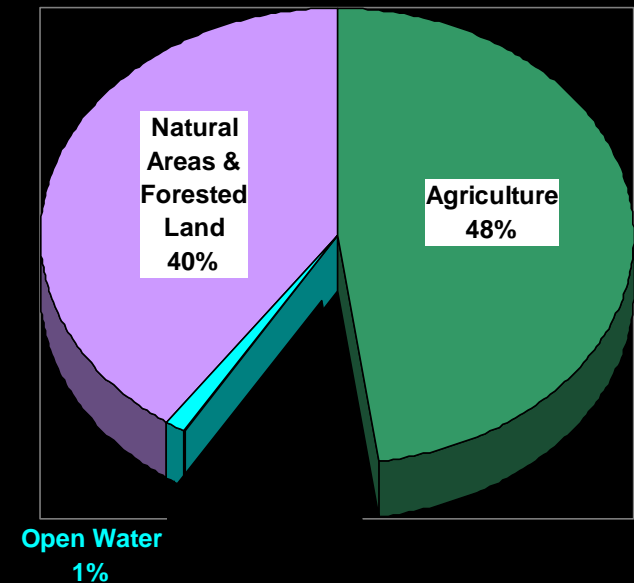
Enhances Agriculture & Natural Resources

- Soil Testing/Consultation
- Backyard Gardening Consultation
- Weed Management Plans
- Plant Identification
- Youth Education
- Energy Conservation Education
- Consultation on Emerald Ash Borer Management
- Public Horticulture Help-Line
- Master Gardener Program



Enhances Agriculture & Natural Resources

- Pesticide Training
- Soil Testing/Consultation
- On Site Farm Consultation
- First Detector for Pests and Diseases
- Community Urban Forest Education
- Plant Disease and Pest Diagnostics & Treatment Plans
- Invasive Weed Management Plans
- Business Plan Consultation
- Energy Conservation Education
- Education on Increasing Farm/Green Energy Profitability
- New Agriculture Research Updates
- Pond Management Consultation





Prepares Youth for Success

- Community Clubs – 961 Participants
- 4-H Volunteers – 270 Volunteers
- 4-H Alumni – 35,000 residents
- CARTEENS – 663 Participants
- Teen Board – 15 Participants
- After School Programming – 69 Participants
- Junior Master Gardener – 15 Participants
- Real Money Real World – 125 Participants



Strengthens Families and Communities

- Homemade in the Heart of Clermont
- The Family Nutrition Program (FNP)
- Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP)
- Dining with Diabetes
- Active Parenting
- Homebuyer Education
- Don't Borrow Trouble and Save Our Homes
- Money Management for Parents of Young Children
- Master Money Mentor Training
- New Start for Financial Success



Leveraging Funds In County Budget

If

County Budgets

\$185,874.00

Then

County Receives

\$173,765.00

State and Federal
Educator Cost Share and Grants

Partnerships & Collaborations

- Juvenile Court & Detention Center
- Clermont Soil & Water Conservation District
- Water Resources Department – Storm Water
- Clermont Senior Services
- USDA Farm Service Agency
- Natural Resources Conservation Services
- Clermont County Agricultural Society
- Office of Environmental Quality
- Ohio Department of Natural Resources
- Ohio Department of Agriculture
- Metropolitan Housing
- Clermont County Community Services
- Township Association

Partnerships & Collaborations

- Farm Bureau
- Municipal Court
- Department of Job & Family Services
- General Health District
- Child Focus
- Public Schools
- Citizen Corps
- Planning Department
- Family & Children First Council
- Office of Economic Development
- Chamber of Commerce
- Clermont County Mental Health and Recovery
- Park District



Resources

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